

Roman Review Questions

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1. What were the three groups of "Early Italians"? Which group influenced the foundation of Rome the most? Why?
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
2. What was the greatest factor in Rome's geographic success? Why?
3. A _____ is someone with unlimited power who rules temporarily during a time a crisis.
4. Would you rather be a Plebe or Patrician? Why?
5. If you could have any symbol on your Gladius, what would it be?
6. What body of water did Rome control by 100AD?
7. What animal would best represent each of the following?
 - a. Consul
 - b. Praetor
 - c. Senator
8. What do you think Cincinnatus would have to say about the American Presidential System?
9. If you had to script a Hollywood movie, what Punic war would you choose? Why?
10. Who would play Hannibal and Scipio?
11. If the government was going to issue us "bread and circuses" today, what food and entertainment would you choose?
12. Think of a slogan for the Gracchus Brothers political campaign.
13. What Hollywood actor would best portray the following people?
 - a. Julius Caesar
 - b. Caesar Augustus

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- c. Marc Antony
 - d. Cleopatra
 - e. Caligula
 - f. Nero
14. If you could go back to Ancient Rome with one weapon or piece of technology to sell, what would it be?
 15. Who were the 2 brothers who are credited with founding Rome?
 16. What river does Rome sit on?
 17. What landform is the "Italian boot"?
 18. What body of water does Italy sit in the middle of?
 19. What group of people had colonies set up to the south of Rome?
 20. The two top government officials in Rome were called what?
 21. This group contributed a significant influence to the Roman Republic in the following ways: military, clothing, and architecture – they originally lived in Northern Italy.
 22. What was the "cornerstone" of the Roman economy (what did the average Roman do to make a living)?
 23. The two groups of Roman citizens (wealthy elite and everyone else) were called what?
 24. What was the short stabbing Roman sword called?
 25. This is a group of about 80-100 Roman soldiers.
 26. Define Republic:

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27. What empire did Rome fight against in the Punic Wars?
28. What is the mountain range to the *North* of the Italian peninsula?
29. The _____ of Rome was made up of *all voting citizens* and usually met in Forum to discuss laws and elections.
30. The *legislative branch of Roman government, made up of 300 patrician Romans* was called what?
31. These were the *top officials* (two of them) in the Roman republic that headed the army and ran the government.
32. This means "*I forbid it*" in Latin.
33. A group of about 5200-6000 Roman soldiers was called what?
34. This legal principle meant that *Roman law applied to all Romans equally*.
35. What *geographic landform* is Italy?
36. What island sits directly southwest of Italy?
37. The first written Roman code of laws was called what?
38. A three-way political alliance is called what?
39. Who was the person that emerged from the first triple-alliance (#38) as the single Roman leader?
40. What happened to him?
41. Why did it happen?
42. Who was the person that emerged from the second triple-alliance (#38) as the single Roman leader?
43. What title was he given?
44. Why was he successful as Roman Emperor while #39 was not?

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45. What was the Pax Romana and what years was it between?

46. How should history remember Caesar Augustus (what should his reputation be in the history books)?

47. What was the Praetorian Guard?

48. Who took over after Caesar Augustus died?

49. In your opinion who was a worse emperor, Nero or Caligula? Why?

50. What Roman emperor began construction of the Roman Colosseum?

51. Who was the greatest of the "Good Emperors"? Why was he the greatest?

53. What problems still existed in Rome around 180AD that needed to be addressed in order for it to be successful in the long-term?

54. If you could give a piece of advice to the Romans that would allow them to be successful long into the future, what would you tell them? How would that possibly change their history?

55. What similarities and differences can we see between the Roman government and our current US government?